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Robert G. Haskell, Treasurer
Pacific Life Insurance Company Political Action
Committee
700 Newport Center Drive
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Reference:

August Monthly (7/1/01-7/31/01), September Monthly (8/1/01-8/31/01) and

October Monthly (9/1/01-9/30/01) Reports

Dear Mr. Haskell:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) of your report discloses contributions received through what appears to be a payroll deduction plan. Please amend your report to disclose the amount deducted per pay period. 11 CFR §104.8(b) Please refer to the enclosed sample of properly reported payroll deductions.

Any amendment or clarification should be filed with the Federal Election Commission. Electronic filers must file amendments in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

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#### Categorizing Receipts

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Before beginning to itemize the committee's receipts, separate them into the different categories listed on the Detailed Summary Page ("Contributions from Individuals," "Contributions from Political Committees," sto.; an illustration of a completed Detailed Summary Page appears on pages 54-55). The receipts in each category must be itemized on a separate Schedule A designated for that category.

Indicate the type of receipt itemized on a particular Schedule A by checking the box for the corresponding the number from the Detailed Summary Page where indicated in the upper right corner of the schedule. The appropriate category of receipt may else be written at the top of each page.

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Some categories may require several pages. The total for each category should be entered on the bottom line of the lest page for that category.

#### Itemized Information

For each itemized contribution, provide:

- The full name and address (including zip code) of the contributor or other source;
- The name of the contributor's employer (if the contributor is an individual);

- The contributor's occupation (if the contributor is an inclividual);
- The date of receipt;
- The amount; and
- The aggregate year-to-date total of all receipts (within the same category) from the same acurce. 104.3(a)(3).
   The space indicating the election for which an itemized contribution was made ("Receipt For") does not apply to SSFs; leave those boxes blank.

Special "Employer" information
If a contributor is self-employed, that
should be recorded in the Employer
space. If a contributor is not amployed,
the Employer space should be left blank,
but the Occupation space should always
be completed (e.g., "unemployed," "retired," "homemaker").

**Beet Efforts Required** 

Note that committees and their treasurers must use "best efforts" to obtain and report the information listed above. See page 36 for more information.

### **Payroll Deductions**

Once an individual's deductions aggregate over \$200 in a calendar year, report the total amount deducted from the donor's paychecks during the reporting period on Schedule A. in parenthesee indicate the amount that was deducted each pey period. Instead of stating a specific date of receipt, type "payroll deduction" under "Date." The other itemized information, including the year-to-date total, must be completed for each donor. 104.8(b).

EXAMPLE: During an election year, a corporate manager authorizes her employer to deduct \$15 per pay period (each pay period is two weeks) for the company's SSF. The SSF, which files FEC reports on a quarterly schedule, includes the manager's first-quarter contributions (\$90 for six pay periods) as "uniternized contributions" on Line 11(a)(ii) in the April quarterly report.

By June 30 (the closing date for the July quarterly report), 13 pay periods have passed, and the manager's eggregate contributions are \$195—etil below the \$200 itemization threshold. The manager's second-quarter contributions again are included in funitemized contributions in the July report.

By September 30 (the closing date for the Cotober quarterly report), 19 pay periods have passed, and the manager's contributions reach \$285. Now the committee itemizes the total contributions received from the manager during the third quarter (\$90), providing the year-to-date total in the appropriate space. (See item Ain the libertation above.)

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